# GERMANS REJECTED RUSSIAN PEACE TERMS

SOUGHT COAL.

Garfield at Washington.

and other tidewater points to New Eng-

day at a conference between Fuel Ad-

administrator for New England, and state governors and senators from that

curtailment of electric railway traffic in

by the fuel shortage and that lack of

Refused to Deliver to Federal Trade

Commission Certain Records Wanted

in Investigation of Packing

Industry.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 21.—Swift and ompany of Chicago have refused to de-

MONTPELIER

as far as has been learned, is the only

town in the state in which the school

conditions are not on "Easy street."

There they have a new heating plant for

the week that unless coal was obtained

Secretary of State Frederick Fleet

the case. The new form will give the

Chief Master-at-Arms Charles Mitchell

Burlington relative to his record for the

first 18 days of the month and finds that

he did two better than he expected.

namely, that 20 men were enlisted through this office instead of 18. Wal-

lace Guernsey of North Montpelier ap-

the part of the local office. He will not

The regular meeting of the Knights of

News has been received from Holden

ers, passed, and out of some 20 candi-

in the short time he has been in service.

Judge E. M. Harvey is attending

plied Thursday and was accepted upon

go to Burlington until after Christmas.

they would have to close the schools

to the federal trade commission

Unofficial Report from Petrograd Under Thursday Date Says That the First Washington, D. C., Dec. 21.—Arrangements for improving the water transportation of coal from Hampton Roads clude a Separate Peace land to relieve the critical coal situa-**Proved to Be Fruitless** 

#### VON KEUHLMANN Dr. Garfield presented plans under which coal for New England will be de-livered at tidewater from the West Vir-ACTS FOR GERMANY

ginia and Pittsburg coal fields through distribution orders that will direct ship-He Was Charged with Duty ments from mines in the western part of the fields to western points and from of Conducting Negotia- mines in the eastern coal sections to Authorized the Chancel- Boston already had been made necessary lor to Conclude Peace coal would result in extended Christmas recesses in the schools of Boston with Russia and vienity.

cially that the Germans have rejected the Graham of Vermont; Harold Sewell, rep-Russian peace terms, the Petrograd cor-respondent of the Exchange Telegraph gee, McLean, Gerry and Hale. company wires under Thursday date.

Amsterdam, Dec. 21.—Count Von Hert-ling, the imperial German chancellor, yesterday received the representatives of all the Reichstag parties, with whom he had a confidential discussion of the situation U.S. GOVERNMENT caused by the opening of peace negotia tions with Russia.

The chancellor announced, according to a Berlin official dispatch, that the emperor had authorized him to conclude peace and he had charged Foreign Sec retary Von Keuhlmann to conduct the

### NOT OPPORTUNE TIME

For Formal Conference for Discussion of Peace.

records desired by the commission in its investigation of the packing industry, and drastic action will be taken in court London, Dec. 21.-Foreign Secretary Balfour made a spirited reply in the House of Commons yesterday afternoon Heney announced to day at the resump-Heney announced to day at the resump-tion of the inquiry. to attacks by Arthur Ponsonby, a pacifist, regarding the war aims of Great Britain and her allies, the published versions of which, Mr. Ponsonby said, did not tally with the proposals of the Some Coal Is Being Shipped to St. Johnssecret treaties.

that the allies were shelteringly them ever, that place has not suffered for want selves behind the president's reply to the of coal as badly as Fairlee and Marsh- appeared to be fading. pope, continued Mr. Balfour, he presumed field, where no coal has been received and the member meant no more than that wood is being used for fuel. Richford. ably made by the head of the great American republic it might not be necessary and very often was unnecessary, that it should at once be repeated on this side of the Atlantic. The British government, he continued, had not refused a conference on war aims, but the prob lem presented enormous difficulties and it was his belief that friendly conversations were better than a formal confer- registration of the automobiles which ence for the discussion of these delicate

In any event, added Mr. Balfour, all ly of the opinion that this was an inopportune moment for such discussions What was desirable was a discussion of data concerning each machine listed this June of last year, after having qualified the track. war methods rather than of war aims. year and will be kept on file in the office Mr. Balfour defended at length the so that when a man applies next year it government's procedure with regard to will be an easy matter at once to check Dunstan's Home for Blinded Soldiers. the agreements between the allies con- him up as to whether he had made an

cerning Constantinople, Persia, etc. He accurate statement. declared that Italy properly deserved some rearrangement of territory in her

### RUSSIAN OFFICERS IN FRANCE VOLUNTEER FOR OUR FORCES

They Offer Their Services in a Body to the United States

Army. With the American Army in France

Dec. 21 (By the Associated Press).—The vice commander, L. A. Kelty; recorder, officers of the Russian army in France Frank Pratt; master of finance, B. A. Sumner; master of exchequer, Otto have volunteered as a body to give serv-Bates; prelate, W. H. Herrick; master ices to the United States. of work, Frank Wing; master-at-arms,

officers are desirous of continu ing the battle against the Germans, not- Fred Somers. The election of officers withstanding the Russo-German peace will take place at the next meeting. negotiations, and declare they will some an opportunity to fight to the fin- Farrar, who has been on the Wasp, that Howard Gordon, petition granted, ish for Russia under the Stars and he has successfully passed the examina-

the request that he and his subordinates days here did considerable portside twirl. H. Potter, petition granted for adultaken into the American service, ing for local organizations. A few tery. guaranteed to vouch for every one ac- months ago he was a second class seacepted. All grades are included in the man. Out of 100 candidates for examrequest, from second lieutenants up.

ination to first class he, with three oth-In April of last year five contingents of Russian troops were landed at Mar- dates for ensign he was one of six that seilles, after a land and sea journey passed. He has moved up in rank fast of approximately 17,500 miles from Mosto Port Dalny, Manchuria, by rail, and thence by water. The number of Windsor county court, where he has a Hartford, Conn., with Bessie Whitman, men in these contingents was estimated trial of a court case, at something like 25,000.

### TALKOF THE TOWN

elected), collector of wampum; Mary that the plaintiff knew these conditions who are entitled to pay each month and a slacker. It proved, however, that the plaintiff knew these conditions who are entitled to pay each month and many floral tributes.

We are entitled to pay each month and many floral tributes.

Who are entitled to pay each month and many floral tributes.

Who are entitled to pay each month and many floral tributes.

Annie McHardy, and only the immediate of the same officer of the church, places the responsibility of his getting.

Bella Ralph (re-elected), pianist; annie ages, with costs. The court has not yet was not old enough and the United officiated, and Miss Agnes Rule same to the laries of Greig (re-elected), guard of forest; trus-announced its decision.

States authorities then took the pair in the formula of the state.

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Miss Sherburne to be sung at her full miss Sherburne to be sung at her full meral. The bearers were three brothers, ment of the state pay for the mouth of served, when a good program of singing state. and dancing and other attractions was given, music for dancing being furnished bury, was proven in probate court this by Miss Elizabeth Stephens.

# EXPECT WAR DECLARATION

Against the German Governors of New England Importuned Empire

IN CONSEQUENCE

ministrator Garfield, J. J. Storrow, fuel More German Trickery Was Shown in Published

Telegrams

Washington, D. C., Dec. 21.-Declaration of war against Germany by Argen-tina was regarded as almost certain in Latin-American diplomatic circles to-day be taken up in Vermont will probably be as the result of new evidence of German truck driving, gas welding and vulcaniz-Latin-American diplomatic circles to-day tions After Emperor Had eastern points and tidewater.

The fuel administration was told that Washington and Buenos Aires last night by the publication of another series of telegrams between Count Luxburg of

Luxburg in one of his messages, dated
Aug. I, last, reported that President Irigoyen of Argentina at last had made up
that trucks will be loaned to the schools Those conferring with Dr. Garfield, besides Mr. Storrow were Governors Mestides Mr. Storrow with Chile and Bolivia for protection Hampshire, Holcomb of Connecticut and against North America "before the conhis mind to conclude a secret agreement for the training and that the well ference idea is taken up again." The "conference idea" is assumed to have been the plan for a Latin-American neutrality conference, strongly supported by President Carranza of Mexico and much Smith-Hughes fund, which is a federal road which joins the trunk line at Orange ountries, while the proposed secret

by which the later messages were sent, though one or two of the telegrams in yesterday's batch were among those giv-Versenkt" messages in which Luxburg recommended avoiding difficulty with Argentina by sinking her ships without leaving a trace, however, does not appear

Throughout the messages Luxburg dwells upon his difficulties with the foreign minister and upon his influence with the president. Finally he was conducting negotiations directly with the presi-dent although the foreign minister's attitude made this troublesc e. In the concluding telegram of the series, howdent holding Argentina out of the war

### DAUGHTER OF CLEVE-LAND TO WED WAR HERO

coal use and they reported the first of Met Officer of Coldstream Guards While Nursing Abroad-Serving in London.

wood is completing a new form for the London, Dec. 21.—The engagement is announced of Esther, daughter of Grover will be used next year and by which Cleveland, to Captain Bosanquet of the those employed in his office will be able Coldstream Guards. Capt. Bosanquet, a jured. to check up each machine and prevent son of Sir Albert Bosanquet, has been one bought last year when such is not order.

> as a nurse and instructor of the blind, and took up work as a volunteer of St.

### FINED \$50 FOR ASSAULT.

has received the corrected figures from Barnard Thayer of Orwell Attacked John

of Orwell, aged 23, found guilty of assault upon John B. Monger, was sentenced yesterday in Addison county court days for each dollar. The fine was paid.

Chancellor commander, L. H. Pollard; yesterday morning for "light" on a "reasonable doubt." It came in again at

spondent read. posed of: Nellie E. Trammal vs. Stevens, honorary president: Miss Helen Charles C. Trammal, alleged neglect and M. Winslow, founder of the club; Col. refusal to support, petition dismissed John Gilman and ex-Mayor Walter C. without prejudice; Mildred Gordon vs. Wardwell of Cambridge.

Howard Gordon, petition granted, for Mrs. Arthur B. Corthell of Winchester, adultery; Georgianna S. Batchelder, de tions as ensign. He is a son of Mr. and sertion and refusal to support, no de-The ranking Russian officer, who made Mrs. W. H. Farrar and during his school cision given; Charles H. Potter vs. Mary

# SENTENCED TO ATLANTA.

Henry Muir Pleaded Guilty to Violation of Mann Act.

Brattlebero, Dec. 21.-Henry Muir, aged 20, a roving character who left aged 16, and went to Boston about Judge E. M. Harvey was in Northfield Thanksgiving time, pleaded guilty in the Thursday for the trial of the civil case United States court here yesterday aftof F. W. White of Northfield against ernoon to a violation of the Mann white F. K. Bailey of Barre, alleged fraud in slave act and was sentenced to serve a

of the meeting, ladies' night was ob Saturday for her home in New York had been arrested twice before; once for Rev. L. O. Sherburne of Montpelier, Dr. October, a balance of \$16,557.69 having

# TO TRAIN VERMONT BOYS

To Make Them Fitted for Service of the

Commissioner of Education M. B. Hil-legas has returned from Washington, D. , where he was called in conference by the war department relative to voca By Republic of Argentina that the schools of the various states British and French Comwill co-operate in training men for work in different departments in the canton ment service, as well as in other branches of military life. The schools will take up the work of training conscripts. There are 87 vocations used in the army and it is very probable that the conscripts in the first and second classes of the constructions and the conscripts in the first and second classes of OF REVELATIONS the new draft regulations will be assigned to certain kinds of education in the schools of Vermont, night schools being much used in that training. The government has arranged that Sunday afternoons as well as night schools shall

Returns to America with be used in that service training.

The Catholic church has co-operated with the government by removing all barriers in its church work so that young men may be trained Sunday afternoons, with the exceptions of Christmas and

like holidays.

Some of the kinds of training that will certain information as to the vocations Spurlos versenkt fame and the Berlin of the conscripts that these men may be foreign office.

equipped garages and vulcanizing plants will also be placed at the disposal of the students for night and Sunday afternoon

appropriation for vocational education and of which Vermont gets \$15,000 this President Irigoyen's proposals for a league of South American nations.

In Latin American discovering the state of the sta greement may explain reports that have year and \$30,000 next year. He found volving Edward Shiner of Montpelier league of South American nations.

In Latin-American diplomatic quarters here it is regarded as certain that the disclosures will result very quickly in an Argentine declaration of war against Germany.

No explanation is given of the means remany.

No explanation is given of the means complimentary report upon the school Sherburne of Orange county has completed his investigation.

Passenger Train Crashed Into Rear of Accommodation Train at Shepherdsville, Kentucky, Last Night.

Shepherdsville, Ky., Dec. 21.—The death toll last night when a Louisville

The wreck occurred just after the losmaller train, were splintered.

None of the passengers abourd head. the fast train were killed, though a num-

A relief train was made up at Louisthe injured and the bodies of the dead house. Later the two deputies aphad been removed from the wreckage proached the schoolhouse, but learned

### Middlebury, Dec. 21.—Barnard Thayer To 43 Sailors From the Charlestown the searching party headed for Montpe Navy Yard.

Boston, Dec. 21.- At a Christmas party to pay a fine of \$50 and costs within 24 given at Hotel Vendome yesterday afterhours or serve a jail sentence of three noon by the Daughters of Vermont, the special guests were 43 sailors from the Although the jury was out all night Charlestown navy yard and Common-Pythias occurred Thursday evening when in the case of Joseph Eubar, charged wealth pier, who were accompanied by the officers for the coming year were with stealing a \$50 heifer from Michael George Sturtevant, assistant Y. M. C. A. to have assented sullenly to accompany nominated. They include the following: Tierney, it failed to agree, and came in secretary at Commonwealth pier. Preceding the entertainment there was

three to have the testimony of the re- Mrs. O. B. Johnson, president of the be prosecuted for an alleged attempt to The following divorce cases were dis-Samuel W. McCall, Mrs. Oliver Crocker

who arranged the entertainment, was necompanist. There were patriotic songs, recitations, fancy dancing by Anna Lem-on and addresses by Col. John Gilman, Mr. Wardwell and Col. J. Payson Brad-

A list of 15 sons of members of the club now in the service was read. For each sailor there was a gift from the hostesses and a silk flag from the president of the club.

### MANY FRIENDS ATTENDED

Funeral of Ada J. Sherburne Held at Hedding Church. The funeral of Miss Ada J. Sherburne, office, a card system has been devised in adjutant of a colored division being Marriage Took Place at Home of the who died at her brother's home in Rut. which 12 cards are sent to each of the At the regular meeting of Winnetta the sale of fleeced wool. It was shown year and a day in the Atlanta prison, land last Tuesday, was held at the Hed-soldiers entitled to state pay other than council last evening of Witherta the feeting of Witherta to the feeting of Neilie Bianchi. Pocahontas; Christina Jeffrey, Wenonah; Isabella Thomson, Jeffrey, Wenonah; Isabella Thomson, propheless; Peter Brown (re-elected), Powhatan; Annie Brown (re-elected), keeper of records; Alice Bresett (re-elected), collector of wampum; Mary

# CONFIDENCE IN PERSHING

manders Convey Their Estimate

### CALL HIS PLANS BROAD AND SOUND

Returns to America with That Assurance

ing's ability and their satisfaction with as the result of new evidence of German truck driving, gas weiging and vidence that the breadth and soundness of his preptrickery disclosed simultaneously in ing, in which there is a great need in the Washington and Buenos Aires last night by the publication of another series of that the school department will obtain tive on the western front have reached the breadth and soundness of his prep-cellence quite in accord with the finesse Washington with the return from Europe of Major General Hugh L. Scott.

### TRIED TO SEE GIRL.

When Refused Edward Shiner Is Said to Have Made Threats.

The little schoolhouse, known as the Corner school," at the fork of the main Center, was the scene of an escapade in-

Shiner's appearance in Washington for terview with the young woman who teaches in the Partridge district, his de-Montpelier Junction, where the pursuing deputies detained him as he was about to board a train, are some of the incidents which the state's attorney will review when the man is arraigned in Orange county justice court late this afternoon. Meanwhile Deputies Bixby and Tracy are congratulating themselves on their good fortune in overtaking Shin

er before he had time to make his escape. It is stated that Shiner, who has been that President Wilson's statements on war policy were absolutely identical in spirit with those of the leaders of thought in Great Britain. He did not think there had been in the whole history of the war more powerful state tory of the war more powerful state documents than those issued by the president of the United States.

W. A., 18, tells of the school orchestra, death toll last night when a Louisville, probably the great and a special series of morning exercise death toll last night when a Louisville, probably the great form and a special series of morning exercise death toll last night when a Louisville, in Santiago, Chile, probably the great form and a special series of morning exercise on the Partridge farm, so called at the state fuel administrator's office, has been in Santiago, Chile, probably the great form and a special series of morning exercise on the Partridge farm, so called at the state fuel administrator's office, has been in Santiago, Chile, probably the great form and a special series of morning exercise on the Partridge farm, so called at the last night when a Louisville railroad passenger train the state fuel administrator's office, has set fuel administrator's office, has been in Santiago, Chile, probably the great form and a special series of morning exercise on the Partridge farm, so called at the Louisville railroad passenger train the state fuel administrator's office, has so called at the last night when a Louisville railroad passenger train the state fuel administrator's office, has so called at the state fuel administrator's office, has so called at the last night when a Louisville railroad passenger train the state fuel administrator's office, has so called at the state fuel administrator's office, has so called at the state fuel administrator's office, has so called at the state fuel administrator's office, has so called at the state fuel administrator's office, has so called at the state fuel administrator's office, has so called at the state fuel administrator's office, has so whereupon Shiner, it is claimed, made Waste Basket" fit caption for what folcal train had pulled out of the station was absent from the farm and as their grinds and harmless foolery, much of and the blame seems to hinge on whether fright grew, the women telephoned Dep- which only present day Spaulding stuthe fast train had been given a clear uty Bixby at East Barre. He hurried to dents will understand. Under the headtrain behind it crashed into the rear of the deputy, accompanied by a small boy already large and listing as it does the

and the baggage car, making up the and opened the outer door. Behind the to a solid financial intrenchment. Virtually every person aboard the ac- story, waited Shiner, and when the officommendation train, both crew and past cer turned the knob he ran squarely into sengers, were either killed or badly in a revolver, pointed menacingly at his

The deputy had scarce time to back the allies, including Russia, were strong the applicants registering a machine as decorated with the distinguished service ber were injured. The locomotive was away when Shiner ordered him to leave demolished and the heavy steel coaches the premises. Mr. Bixby left with alac Miss Cleveland came to London in making up the train were thrown from rity, but hastened to a nearby house to get in communication with the county authorities at Chelsea. While the Eas rille and rushed here with physicians and Barre officer tarried, Deputy Sheriff nurses. By the time it arrived most of Tracy started post haste for the schoolthat Shiner had fled. Immediately they VERMONT DAUGHTERS HOSTESSES trail might lead to the nearest railroad. Outgoing trains were watched, and when lier Junction the trail grew warmer. At 3 o'clock this morning Shiner was discovered in the vicinity of the Junction

station and placed under arrest. He was brought to Barre and lodged in cell at police headquarters until daylight, when preparations were made for faking him to Chelsea. Skinner is said ing the officers and indicated that he would not attempt another escape. Toa reception. In the receiving line with day the officers stated that Shiner might club, were the guests of honor, Mrs force his attentions upon the school teacher; that the charge against him might grow out of an alleged burglary at the schoolhouse; or that he might be arraigned for threatening the officer with a revolver. The school mistress at the Corner is a young woman of exemplary

### SOLDIERS' PAY APPLICATIONS

Who Enlisted in Vermont Regiment.

. From the office of the state treasurer were mailed this morning 1,100 applications to the families of soldiers other Carpenter, both of Montpelier. Vermont regiment and who will, upon the return of the proper credentials, be jutant of the division; but this week neighboring church. entitled to state pay. Under the arhe consented to transfer from assistant
rangement made by C. B. Scott of the
adjutant of that division to that of an

tate.

The will of John Healy, late of Water-lone for the larceny of copper wire.

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The grand jury yesterday found 12 was in the family of the state pay for the mouth of the

SPAULDING "SENTINEL" OUT.

Excellent School Paper Makes Bow

To an audience of students, teachers, former teachers, alumni, and a host of other friends, including ex-students with tender recollections of student days, the Spaulding Sentinel made its bow to-day. Clothed in a blue jacket that the eye can stare at without blinking, the new school magazine is a veritable wellspring of in-formation. Scrutiny of its even para-graphs, well rounded sentences and neat Japan and Russia Are Said typography makes one wonder that the Spaulding of more mature years has been so long without a regular medium of ex-pressing that for which the institution stands, along with chronicling the doings

maintain in succeeding issues. The cov er piece is an etching by Henry L. Va-netti, and represents a watchtower and battlement. Overhead flies the Stars and Stripes, and under the folds of the Washington, D. C., Dec. 21.—Direct as- banner stands a sentinel looking out to surances of confidence of the British and sea. Lest an enemy sail escape his vigil-French commanders in General Persh. ance, a second watcher in the regimentals of the U. S. A. stands on the bridge below. It is an artistic design and its ex to be noted in the pages that follow.

The frontspiece is a familiar half-tone
of Spaulding high school, with the Burns

memorial in the foreground. A directory containing the names of the faculty and the officers of each class is on the fly leaf and the first page gives the names of The Sentinel committee, terms (10 cents each, 50 cents per annum), the school calendar and the contents. One learns at this juncture who is responsible for so fine a journalistic effort.

The committee is given as follows: Commissioner Hillegas, while in Washington, also visited those in charge of the road leading to Washington, and a cross line McDonald, '18, locals; Dean Davis, '18, athletics; Hildreth Martin, '18, social; Laurence Campbell, '18, advertisements; Frank Wells, '10, juniors; Corinne Eastman, '20, sophomores; John Gauld, '21, freshmen; Miss Harriet Hous- It is improbable that the United States ton, '13, alumni.

It is not too much to reproduce the often one of mere ceremony as one of forward with a voluntary statement. arduous duty. It will be a happy thing for Spaulding and the gentle (or ferocious) reader if 'The Spaulding Sentinel' the heading "Secret Treaty Between Jap-can combine both parts, accomplishing an and Russia for joint armed demonthe alleged purpose of obtaining an in-terview with the young woman who guard before a large public school and ain in the Far East," the Bolsheviki fance of Deputy Sheriff W. E. Bixby of gala functions are carried on within—or East Barre, and subsequent escape to sternly challenging Frivolity, Careless- Montpelier Junction, where the pursuing ness, and Sloth when they seek admitlessly turning away all undesirables who dominance in China. know not the watchword, 'Loyalty and

Duty F. H. L., '18, writes up the school servwar "Y" receives adequate mention. M. the contracting parties. W. A., '18, tells of the school orchestra

the accommodation with a terrific im- or two. Arriving in the schoolhouse yard, names of Spaulding men who have enlist-The two wooden passenger coaches Mr. Bixby cautiously applied the key ed. Nine pages of advertising testify everyone to obtain Washington county's inner door, according to the deputy's and Lane, students, have furnished two Step into headquarters and obtain one attractive captions for the magazine.

## SUNDAY "MOVIE" PLAN ABANDONED

Off the Arrangements for Next Sunday Out of Deference to the Per-

sonal Request of the Ministers of Barre. . To the Times: In deference to the feeling of pride in displaying it.

personal request of the ministers of Barre we have cancelled the special war paste upon this flag, indicating the numand Red Cross film picture exhibition which was to have been held at the Park at headquarters in the Aldrich building, theatre next Sunday afternoon and even- or from Mr. Ayers in room 4, Jackson ing after church hours. The moving picture theatres had been

invited by us to put on these pictures. return their lists of subscriptions to We were disappointed in not having the Red Cross reel here last Sunday for use next day. Whatever may be the opinion of our

itizens as to questions of proper Sunday observance, we hope that everyone wil enroll as members of the great American Red Cross by Monday evening, Dec. 24 You cannot make a better Christmas present to the nation. S. Hollister, Jackson.

County Chairman. V. E. Ayers, City Captain.

### PROMPT PROMOTION.

Sent in 1,100 Cases Other Than Those For Lee S. Tillotson and George E. Carpenter in Army Service.

Information has been received at the tion of Lee S. Tillotson and George E. than those who enlisted through the 1st Tillotson went to Washington, D. C., a Hutchinson and C. H. White were apformed in the south, part of which di vision is across the water. Adjutant of a

# REVEAL TREATY AGAINST U.S. AND ENGLAND

to Have Joined in Secret Alliance in 1916 to P vent Any Third P from Achieving P Dominance in Ch'

### BOLSHEVIKI 6 E OUT DOCUMENT

Officials at Washington Profess to Have No Knowledge of the So-Called Treaty and They Expect Either Russia or Japan Will Make Explanation

Washington, D. C., Dec. 21.-Officials said to-day that they had no knowledge of a so-called secret treaty described in Petrograd dispatches but they considered that to describe it as contemplating joint armed demonstration against America

It is improbable that the United States government will make any effort to secure an explanation of the meaning and opening paragraph of the salutatory: purpose of these secret articles, but it is "The function of a sentinel is quite as expected that one or the other will come

Petrograd, Thursday, Dec. 20.-Under of looking pleasant and portly while the newspaper Izvestia publishes what it tance at the North Portal and relent. third country from achieving political

The treaty was dated July 3, 1916, and runs for five years, automatically extending itself until a year after one ce flag, and L. C. C., '18, tells of Y. M. party expresses the desire to annul it . A. work, in which the largess of It stipulates that the agreement shall Spaulding students in subscribing to the remain a deep secret for all except for

### HURRY RETURNS FOR RED CROSS .

Subscribers and Canvassers in Washington County Are Urged to Speed

Up Their Work. Returns from the Christmas membership week campaign of the American some disquieting threats. Mr. Sanders lows, is a clearing house for jibes and Red Cross are coming slowly and are vet so partial that no fair estimate can be made. The campaign does not close until Monday evening. The captains in the 20 block. Efforts to bring the latter to a half were futile and the heavy locomoShiner had taken his departure. The trail material has been brought together, a have been requested to send in their retive with the weight of a heavy steel led to the schoolhouse and thither went part of which concerns the roll of honor, turns immediately after the close of the campaign. A special effort will have to be made and co-operation furnished by Carson quota. Do not wait until you are invited. or more membership certificates for your family or your friends, and give it to

them as a Christmas present. The purpose of the service flag which is given with each membership is that it may be displayed in the windows of all the homes and illuminated on Christmas County Chairman and City Captain Call eve, as a testimonial of the united and patriotic spirit of the American people in support of the war and of those engaged in fighting our battles. It symbolizes our feelings in such a beautiful way that no truly American home will want to be without a Red Cross service flag, and no true American will have other than a

> Small red crosses are furnished to ber of members in the home. Those who have already joined may obtain a flag building. The manufacturers are requested to

night or early in the morning to Mr. Ayers, so that the proper number of at the Bijou. It did not come until the service flags and crosses may be delivered to-morrow.

### CHURCHES GETTING TOGETHER. Barre Congregational and Universalist

Societies Have Project. The Congregational church at a meeting last evening made the first move to-ward uniting its services with another church during the winter for the purpose of conserving coal. The action was in the form of a resolution authorizing a committee of three from the church to request a conference with a like committee from the Universalist church and to propose to the Universalist church a union service during the months of January, February and March, the Congregation alists to furnish church, fuel and cheir, adjutant general's office of the promo- the Universalist church to furnish the paster. Following the adoption of this Major resolution, Dr. J. W. Jackson, L. R. pointed a committee to confer with the

# FINDLAY-CAY.

Bride.

At her home, 50 South Main street, being of a simple nature, because of ill-ness in the family. The bride is a well